

The Gant County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on Monday, April 21, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, Present; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Present; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Present and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding.

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Magistrate Austin opened in prayer. Judge Link then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were: Clark Kinman-Cable TV. Judge Link reported that he had put together a Preliminary Budget for the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year which he had presented to the Magistrates to take home and review and said that they would be discussing this at the next Caucus Meeting with the hope that we will be able to have first reading on the first Monday in May.

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Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Brian Linder it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the April 07, 2008, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Claims in the General Expense Fund, Road Fund, Jail Fund, L.G.E.A. Fund and Forestry Fund, for the month of April, 2008, along with the transfers needed to pay said claims. He asked if there were any questions about them. He said that he noticed in the Claims that we now have some groups out in the county doing Litter Pickup and he is pleased to know that is happening and that the Roads where they have picked up certainly already look much better. He also mentioned that we were paying the Williamstown Lake Committee their annual funding for the Lake

Project so we can continue to support that Project and updated that there were some Claims in the LGEA Fund for some materials for completing the Bridge on Kells Road and that the school is very pleased.

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve Claims No. 01-1073 thru 01-1120 in the amount of \$50,446.94 paid out of the General Expense Fund; Claims No. 02-459 thru 02-4473 in the amount of \$16,034.34 paid out of the Road Fund; Claims No. 03-0357 thru 03-0379 in the amount of \$41,015.44 paid out of the Jail Fund; Claim No. 04-0000036 and 04-0000041 in the amount of \$11,453.60 paid out of the L.G.E.A. Fund; and Claim No. 12-000001 in the amount of \$1,350.00 paid out of the Forestry Fund, for the month of April, 2008, along with the transfers presented to pay said claims.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (“KCTCS”) by and for the benefit of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services (“KBEMS”), and Grant County, providing Ambulance Service Funding. It is as follows: He gave an update on this funding and said the county would receive \$10,256.41 for Ambulance Services if this is approved. He said years before this was between the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services and the Fiscal Court and those funds were just directed to the City of Dry Ridge since they are providing that service. Where it gets a little unusual is this year somehow the Kentucky Community and Technical College

System is involved and he does not know if that is the way they appropriated the funds, but they are made reference to in this Memorandum of Agreement and he didn't have time to pursue and ask that question and try to understand why, but it requires their signature as well, along with the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services, so if it is okay with the Court he would ask that we approve this Memorandum of Agreement and allow him to sign it and send it in so we can get those funds so we can direct them to the folks that provide ambulance services. He read that it says in the letter on the last page that the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services has just been reestablished under the KCTCS and procedures for funding agreements had not been set up in place. Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Kentucky Community and Technical College System ("KCTCS") by and for the benefit of the Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services ("KBEMS"), and Grant County providing Ambulance Service Funding in the amount of \$10,256.41 as presented, and to further authorize the Judge/Executive to sign said Agreement on behalf of the Fiscal Court.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented the County Treasurer's Monthly Cash Position Report for March.

It is as follows: No action is required. He said the Court might keep these numbers in mind as they begin to initiate discussion on the 2008-2009 budget and he will certainly be describing to the Court his concerns regarding that budget as well as we move forward in that process.

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Judge Link opened up discussion for the 'Good of the County'. He said that anyone could address the Court at this time. Magistrate Brian Linder congratulated all of the winners at the Grant County Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet. He said that Magistrate Richard Austin received the award for "Business Man of the Year" and he said he remembered being a little boy back in the 80's living in Crittenden and if their car needed tires, Dick would drive down so his Mom wouldn't have to get out, all the way to Crittenden, and pick up the car and take it back to his place of business and fix it and bring it back, and you just don't see that sort of service anymore, and that is probably why you get "Business Man of the Year" for longevity in service, so he wanted to Congratulate Dick and all the other winners from the other night. It was a nice evening. Judge Link said that it was a nice evening. Magistrate Austin said he appreciated that and said the Chamber does a good job every year in putting that on and it is about the biggest event we have in the county to look forward to. It was a good night and a lot of people and it was well represented. Judge Link replied "Absolutely and he concurs with everything that Brian just said. His family has been doing business with Dickie for a number of years and quite honestly, he takes care of them. He fusses at him every once in a while because he continues to send him the bills for his kids and he is still picking up the tab for them, but he gets a kick out of that, but nevertheless... Brian said he would have him send his bills to his Dad. Judge Link suggested that Brian might want to talk to Dick and get back on his Dad's doley, but just the other day they took Candy's car up there. He changed the Oil and it comes back, and she says "I think my car is cleaner". Dickie had washed it and then he did the same thing for our daughter. He thinks that is the reason he has been in business for forty years. He would like to see him continue for

as long as he can. It is unfortunate that it took him forty years to be recognized and he thinks they all agree with that. He has done a tremendous amount for our community and he is glad to report, as Brian has, Dickie, and he is sure that Jack and Bobby concur with that, and we are honored to serve our county with you and we will make sure that this is captured in the minutes. Magistrate Austin said he appreciated that. Magistrate Young said he just wanted to say and get his two bits out to Dick as well. Congratulations to all the winners, not only the winners, but to all the people who volunteer their time to decorate the hall and to the people who provide all the food and to the Sponsors for the whole process, but to Dickie especially. You know, it is like you said, it has been a Business that long and for that amount of time. It is hard to find people like that anymore, Judge, that is going to go the extra mile to help those in need and a lot that Dickie does, does go unseen. I am sure that he does a lot of free stuff that we don't know about. There are a lot of people out there this time of year that is struggling and Dick has always seemed to be one that steps up to the plate and helps, but not only Dick, there are other people out there that do step up, but he just wanted to say Thank You to Dickie for being a friend and all the help he gives to him and Brian. He doesn't want to speak for Brian, but all the Court as well, but Dickie, thanks for being a friend to all of us and Congratulations to you as well. Magistrate Austin said he appreciated that and said there is one thing he would like to say tonight that he is going to have put in the Grant County News. There is one gentleman that is no longer with us that is responsible for me being where I am at today along with a lot of hard work on my part and that is George Powers, which many of you remember George Powers when he was in business here in Williamstown when he asked me to come to work for him. He said that George was a

mentor of his along with Dick Jacobs from Falmouth, and those two individuals helped in bringing me along, especially George Powers here in Williamstown, because he was responsible for me being involved in the community even though I had lived here all of my life, so I want to give a special Thank You to him and his family. Judge Link said “Certainly we recognize it, but it is worthy of repeat saying it. Small business makes strong communities and he thinks we are blessed in Grant County still that we have a number of small businesses that are still thriving and we encourage everyone that is listening tonight to patronize those businesses because they help sustain and identify who we are”. Magistrate Linder updated that this Week is Earth Day and he encouraged people to recycle. He said that they do that at their house and have cut their garbage down by two thirds, so that is two thirds less garbage that gets dumped in the dump out there. Of course he thinks they will pick it up at your house if you pay a little extra, so he wanted to encourage people to do that. Also this Thursday is the U.S. 25 Corridor between Dry Ridge and Crittenden Meeting at the High School which he believes starts at 5:00 PM. Judge Link said it will be at the Grant County High School between 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. and he encourages everyone to attend if interested in that Project, especially people that live between Dry Ridge and Crittenden would want to attend he would think for a better understanding of that proposed road. It is still in Design. There is no final decision made, but there is a lot of good information that has been gathered thus far that will justify the Project, and so again, we would encourage you to attend and play a part in, hopefully, ultimately making that project a reality one day. He said this Project cuts across Magistrate Young’s district as well. Judge Link said that Spring Cleanup starts today if you have things to set out at Curbside. They will pick it up, so go ahead and set

it out at no extra charge, and then if you set out large items like appliances, refrigerators, stoves, etc., they may be set out and picked up next week. It is a great service and we would like to see those items and that trash discarded appropriately. This is a great benefit to the people of the county and also helps keep our county clean with just a little bit of thought and planning.

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Judge Link reminded the Fiscal Court that the next Caucus meeting will be on Monday, April 28, 2008, at 5:30 P.M., and that the next meeting of the Fiscal Court will be on Monday, May 05, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. He said that this is a very important meeting as we will be going over the proposed Budget for the 2008-2009 fiscal year and will be having discussion on the services that we are going to be providing and ensuring that we are providing them the proper financial support to provide the best services that we possibly can provide, so anyone that would like to attend that meeting is encouraged to do so and listen in.

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Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Brian Linder it is hereby ordered to Adjourn until Monday, May 05, 2008, at 7:00 P.M.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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